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FOLLOWING IS TEXT (COMPLIMENTARY OPENING AND CLOSING  
OMITTED) OF MINISTRY'S UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF  
FOREIGN MINISTRY NOTE 91.833/75, DELIVERED TO EMBASSY  
APRIL 29:

1. "THE AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT  
OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK SOCIALIST REPUBLIC AND THE GOVERNMENT  
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA OF FEBRUARY 28, 1969 WILL  
EXPIRE ON MAY 31, 1975. QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO THIS  
AGREEMENT HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED, AS DESIRED BY THE AMERICAN  
SIDE, BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF CESKOSLOVENSKE AEROLINIE AND  
PAN AMERICAN IN NEW YORK ON APRIL 8, 1975 AND THE  
NEGOTIATIONS ARE TO BE CONTINUED IN PRAGUE ON MAY 12, 1975.  
DURING THE NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE DESIGNATED AIR  
CARRIERS IN NEW YORK CERTAIN NEW MOMENTS APPEARED WHICH  
WILL BE FURTHER DISCUSSED AT A MEETING OF THE CARRIERS IN  
PRAGUE.

2. "IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THE AGREEMENT WILL BE IN  
FORCE PRACTICALLY ONLY ANOTHER MONTH, THE NEGOTIATIONS  
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BETWEEN THE CARRIERS SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWED BY

CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN DELEGATIONS OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES IN PRAGUE.

3. "IN ORDER TO PREVENT THE TERMINATION OF THE VALIDITY OF THE AGREEMENT, WHICH WOULD NOT BE IN KEEPING WITH THE EFFORTS OF BOTH GOVERNMENTS TO EXPAND MUTUAL CONTACTS, IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE IN THE OPINION OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK SIDE TO EXTEND THE PRESENT CONDITIONS OF AGREEMENT FOR THREE YEARS WITH A MODIFICATION THAT THE CZECHOSLOVAK DESIGNATED CARRIERS WILL BE PERMITTED AT ITS OFFICES IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO EXCHANGE ITS OWN TRANSPORTATION DOCUMENTS FOR THE PREPAID TICKET ADVICES AND TO SELL AIR TRANSPORTATION USING ITS OWN TRANSPORTATION DOCUMENTS, AS PROPOSED IN THE MEMORANDUM SUBMITTED TO THE FEDERAL MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN PRAGUE ON MARCH 14, 1975.

4. "DURING THIS THREE-YEAR TERM THE MATTER OF SALE OF TRANSPORTATION DOCUMENTS OF CESKOSLOVENSKE AEROLINIE THROUGH A LIMITED NUMBER OF SELECTED AGENTS IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WOULD BE SOLVED, WHICH WAS NOT FINALIZED DURING THE NEGOTIATIONS OF THE TWO DESIGNATED AIRLINES ON APRIL 8, 1975.

5. "SHOULD, NONETHELESS, A TREATYLESS STATE OF AFFAIRS MATERIALIZE, WHICH WOULD BRING ABOUT UNDESIRABLE PRACTICAL COMPLICATIONS AND WOULD NOT BE IN THE INTEREST OF THE TWO PARTIES, THE CZECHOSLOVAK SIDE PRESUMES THAT THE AMERICAN SIDE WOULD IN THAT CASE AGREE WITH THE PRESERVATION OF THE PRESENT STATUS QUO UNTIL AGREEMENT IS REACHED ON A NEW TREATY REGULATION.

6. "THE FEDERAL MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF THE STAND OF THE AMERICAN SIDE ON THE PROPOSAL CONTAINED IN THIS NOTE COULD BE CONVEYED TO IT." PERRY

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